

Steller Apiaries & Farms 2017 Alternative Bee Gathering Registration

When: Sunday May 7, 2017 Registration begins at 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Where: Steller Apiaries & Farms. 3342 Clinton Way Jackson, MI 49201

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Beekeeping is becoming a lost art. Almost everyone knows someone that used to be a beekeeper, but when it comes to ethical bee practices? Ethically harvested honey? Happy, healthy bees? Do we still all know someone that has that connection to Mother Nature? Let alone to our Queen bee? Have you considered beekeeping or agriculture but weren't sure where to begin? Given it a try and were met with loss and disappointment? Have you considered alternative hives to feel more confused than before? Perhaps you've been keeping bees and are simply wondering what comes next. We at Steller Apiaries know all too well about what information is (or really is not) available to the "natural" keeper, the sustainable keeper, the alternative keeper, the bee havers and the bee guardians. Come join us on our farm this spring, for our Fifth Annual Alternative Beekeepers Gathering!

Many opportunities are available to learn how to keep bees commercially and for production. We have worked hand in hand with many commercial keepers at most of Michigan's acclaimed bee schools, clubs, and meetings. We're here to tell you there is an alternative and you can keep your bees ethically, happily, naturally and successfully. We will discuss top bar hive systems (Warré & horizontal TBH,) feeding, medicating, honey harvesting, inspections, etc. in our classes; mainly as the difference in principles between conventional and sustainable beekeeping. It is certainly long overdue to devote an entire day to a hands-on course on Alternative beekeeping!

May 7th at 9:00 am. Registration begins with coffee and light refreshments on the farm, then we will split into 2 groups -those that are new to alternatives and those that have experience and looking to know what happens next. Both groups will be in the hives working, so bring gear if you desire it. A wholesome Lunch will be provided at noon, with the request that you bring a dish to pass to enrich our gathering; and then back to the learning! This is only a one day only event and we want to share our 10+ years of knowledge! we are asking for 60\$ per person or \$75 per family to attend this daylong event; children of all ages are welcome! Please dress for the weather and for spending the day out in the apiary and sun! This is a pre-registered event so please accept our invite or call or email to secure your place! We look forward to seeing you all May 7!

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO KEITH OR JESSICA STELLER

Payment Methods: We accept cash, money orders, check, PayPal, or debit/credit cards. Please **do not send cash with your order form**. Credit, debit, and PayPal payments can be made via PayPal on our website (under our 'Rescue a Colony' Tab) or via PayPal card-swipe on our phone (in-person.)

****Please note there is a 5% charge for all card or PayPal payments, a fee for using their services****

Receipt Reference # _____ Received by: _____

Please send with your payment to: Keith or Jessica Steller/ SA Farms
***please make checks payable to** 3342 Clinton Way
Keith or Jessica Steller* Jackson, MI 49201

NAME: _____ DATE: _____

ADDITIONAL FAMILY MEMBERS ATTENDING: (Please include ages of children) _____

ADDRESS: _____

DAYTIME PHONE: _____ EVENING PHONE: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

(PLEASE CIRCLE)

Individual Family Beginner Track or Intermediate Track
\$60 \$75

PAYMENT METHOD: CASH CHECK # _____ CHARGE (NOTE: THERE WILL BE A 5% FEE ON ALL CARD CHARGES)

TOTAL: _____

By signing below, I assume all risk on my part and myself and my family's' behalf associated with honey bees, stings, hives, hive building, and any dangers/threats associated with being in close proximity of any and all items previously listed. All minors should remain in the company of an adult and great care and respect of the honey bee should be taken by all while on the property of Steller Apiaries & SA Farms. Steller Apiaries takes every precaution to ensure safety and that adequate emergency services are provided should they be necessary. I acknowledge such risks and release Steller Apiaries, SA Farms, and Keith & Jessica Steller of any and all liability.

Signature(s)

Printed Name(s)

Printed Name(s) of additional attendants
